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In re Patent Application of

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## APPEAL BRIEF

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Dear Sir:

The Appellant submits this brief pursuant to 37 C.F.R. \$1.192 in furtherance of the Notice of Appeal timely filed in this case on January 24, 2005, setting a two-month shortened statutory period of brief filing expiring March 24, 2005.

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## Real Party In Interest

The real party in interest is International Business Machines Corporation.

Related Appeals And Interferences

None.

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## Claims 7-12

If an independent claim is non-obvious under 35 U.S.C. 103, then any claim depending therefrom is non-obvious. In re Fine, 837 F.2d 1071, 5 USPQ2d 1596 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

Claims 7-12 are dependent on and further limit claim 6. Since claim 6 is believed allowable for the reasons discussed above, claims 7-12 are also believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 6. Therefore, the Appellant respectfully requests that the rejections of claims 7-12 be reversed by the honorable Board.

## Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Appellant submits that the rejections of claims 1-12 are improper and respectfully requests that the rejections of claims 1-12 be reversed by the honorable Board.

Respectfully submitted,

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